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Fran C. Wheeler, PhD, Director
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Dear Dr. Wheeler:

I write to indicate our continued support of the South Carolina Coalition on Smoking and Tobacco Control, and to indicate our further support for your decision to submit a Project ASSIST application.

Because South Carolina leads the nation in the prevalence of cardiovascular diseases, the faculty of the School of Medicine have made special efforts to direct research projects along these lines. We have been moderately successful and presently have approximately $6 million in funded research.

Our effort to eliminate the use of tobacco has begun at home. Smoking is not permitted in any medical school facility, and has not been permitted for over two years. This has met with widespread acceptance and even enthusiasm.

The curriculum for medical students has an especially large portion related to prevention of disease, especially cardiovascular disease. Obviously, the elimination of the use of tobacco plays a major role in this medical student education process. The faculty and staff of the School of Medicine are in a position to help the coalition establish educational programs at all levels from the lay public to the physician/scientist.

I am most please that you have taken the leadership role in this effort of establishing the coalition and attempting to expand the program. I have every confidence in your ability to develop, manage, and evaluate the statewide effort to eliminate the use of tobacco in South Carolina.

Please let me know how I can help.

Yours sincerely,

J. O'Neal Humphries

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